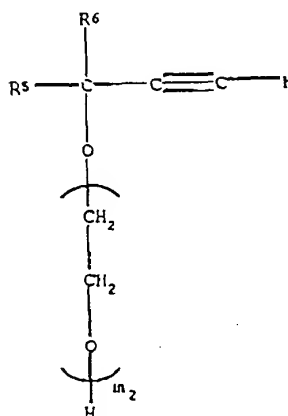


wherein  $R^1$ ,  $R^2$ ,  $R^3$  and  $R^4$  each independently represent an alkyl group; and the sum of  $m_1$  and  $n_1$  is from 0 to 30.

A1



(II)

wherein  $R^5$  and  $R^6$  each independently represent an alkyl group; and  $m_2$  is from 0 to 30.

A2

21. (Amended) A pigment dispersion prepared by the process for the preparation of a pigment dispersion described in claim 1.

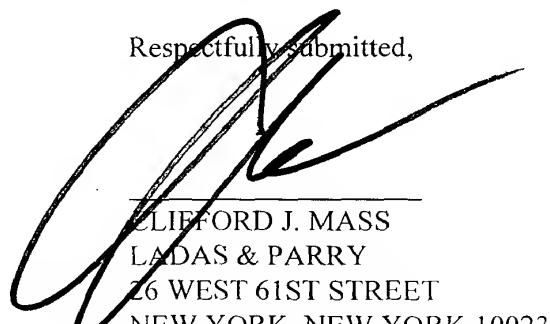
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26. (Amended) A recorded material obtained by the method described in claims 23.

#### REMARKS

The above amendatory action is taken for the purpose to avoid claim fees that would otherwise accrue due to the presence of multiply dependent claims.

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